

HB 307 -- FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARDS

SPONSOR: Riddle

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Committee on Crime Prevention and Public Safety by a vote of 13 to 0.

This bill exempts Boone County and all counties of the first classification with less than 85,000 inhabitants from the prohibition against being a director on a fire protection district board while also holding any office or employment under the state or any political subdivision.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will allow a person who wishes to serve on a fire protection district board in the counties of Boone, Callaway, or Cole to do so when he or she is employed by the state. Currently, second, third, and fourth classification counties are allowed to have state employees serve on these boards and the bill will allow this in these counties.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Riddle; Christy Severt; and Missouri Fire Service Alliance.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.